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Application of:

Richard LePAGE, et al.

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For: NUCLEIC ACIDS AND PROTEINS FROM GROUP B STREPTOCOCCUS

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Group Art Unit: 1645

Examiner: To Be Examined

PETITION FOR ONE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property and
Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants hereby petition the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for reply to the Notice to Comply with Requirements for Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence and/or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures mailed November 14, 2002 for one (1) month from January 14, 2003 up to and including February 14, 2003.

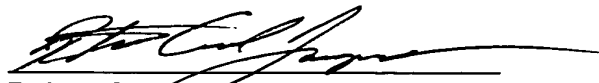
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